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Late Springs at Oxford and the succeeding seasons

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Examining the 150 year sequence of Oxford temperatures, 1815 - 1964, and considering the 15 years with the latest spring, the following distribution of temperatures occurred in the following periods.

	Cold	Average (within 1°F of mean)	Warm	Mean deviation
June	5	6	4	- 0.2
July	9	3	3	- 1.4
August	9	6	0	- 1.4
September	9	5	1	- 1.5
October	6	6	3	- 0.9
November	8	2	5	- 0.3
December	8	5	2	- 2.1
Year (Jan - Dec)	12	3	0	- 1.6
January	8	3	4	- 1.8
February	7	3	5	- 0.6

1970 was about equal in lateness to 1962, but still 10 - 14 days ahead of the springs 1922 and 1917; it would fall within the above 10% latest springs.

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